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CHRISTMAS SALE
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SOME THOUGHTS OF MINE
FATHER
by Murray R. Tuttle

"Home is where the heart is" or that is what they say;
Home is where it's pleasant to live from day to day.
Dad leaves early in the morn, a living he must make
To keep the family healthy, lots of money it does take.

He does not care the work is hard; he enjoys it just the same.
It's something done for those at home and so it's just a game
In which he strives so hard, in which he cannot stop
Because it means so much to him to have'em call him Pop.

An anchorage is Pop to which the family all are bound.
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And so with laughter he listens to those within his care.
He's satisfied with home life, he's in the old arm chair.

And Mother sits beside him, contented in her work
He knows that all is ship shape, as she could never shirk
And so they spend the evening sitting side by side.
And happy is the Captain who the ship of life does guide.

For all of those around him, the ones he loves so well,
His work is never tiresome as anyone can tell.
His face it wears a happy smile throughout the live long day.
He always hurries home again when'ere he's been away.

MRS. CORREIA ANNOUNCES CAKE SALE

Mrs. Manuel P. Correia, ways and means chairman of the Mattapoisett Woman's Club, announces that a cake sale will be held on Saturday, December 4th at the Village Drug Store from 10 A.M. to 2 P.M. Assisting Mrs. Correia will be Mrs. Malcolm Coderre, Mrs. Chester Heuberger, Mrs. Grace Engesser, Mrs. Clifton E. Macomber, Mrs. Charles J. Johnson, Mrs. Nishan Berberian and Mrs. Frank Kouble.

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CENTER SCHOOL NEWS

The Mattapoisett Center School is sponsoring and the ninth grade is presenting two plays, "By the Beautiful Sea" and "Accent on Revenge", at 8:00 P. M. on Friday, December 10th in the Center School auditorium. The glee club will sing and candy will be sold during the intermission. The doors will be open at 7:30. Faculty members assisting with the production are Mrs. Agnalt, Miss Cushman, Mrs. Mulcahy, Mrs. Root, Miss Schofield and Mr. Corey.

Immediately following school on Thursday, December 9th, there will be a dress rehearsal of one play in the auditorium to which Center School pupils are invited at a nominal fee. That program will end at about 3:00 P. M. Bus pupils wishing to remain are to present notes from home.

The first grade of Mrs. Morgan and Miss Griffith had a pet show on Wednesday morning with five kittens, five goldfish, two rabbits, two turtles and a dog in attendance. The children wrote stories, told them, did arithmetic and drew using the pets as the theme. Also, they sang songs about animals under the direction of Mrs. Winslow, the music supervisor.

The following faculty changes became effective after the Thanksgiving recess: Miss Paula D. Roche has been transferred to the junior high school from the third grade, replacing Mrs. Ruth H. Negus who resigned, while Mrs. Rheta T. Tuttle has been elected to teach the third grade.

ILL AT HOME

Mrs. Byron P. Dunn is confined to her home at Point Connett with a cracked pelvis resulting from a fall.

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HARTLEY'S TAKE 3 POINTS FROM ROUNSEVILLE'S

Led by Ralph Gurney's 328, the Hartley Saw Mill took 3 points from Rounseville Saw Mill whose high scorer was Barney Jefferson with 320 in the Rochester League at Bowl Mor Alleys. Marion Launderette blanked the Baptist Church with Walt Pierce's 372 for the winners and Art Tripp's 314 for the losers.

Bettencourt Market took 3 points from Hartley's Garage. Edward Lawrence's 337 and Sparkey O'Neil's 315 were high for this match.

The Firemen led by Linc Rounseville's 326 blanked the Center Garage whose high man was Eddie Arruda with 312.

DANCING CLASSES TO RESUME

Dancing classes held at the Mattapoisett Congregational Church vestry will be resumed this Friday evening, December 3rd.

DINNER GUESTS ON THANKSGIVING

Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth Thompson of Maine, Miss Ethel Smith of New Bedford and Mrs. Clara Luce of Mattapoisett were dinner guests of Mrs. Edward Smith of River Road, Mattapoisett on Thanksgiving day.

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CANNED GOODS DRIVE FOR NEEDY

St. Vincent De Paul Society of the St. Anthony's Church in Mattapoisett announces its first canned goods drive to help make up Christmas baskets for the needy of the parish. The drive will be held on Sunday, December 5th at all the masses. Members of the parish are requested to bring at least one can of food to the mass which they attend, and deposit it in the barrel to be placed at either entrance of the church.

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HAPPY BIRTHDAY

Miss Laura Andrews of Aucoot Road, Mattapoisett celebrated her 18th birthday on Saturday, November 27th.

LEFT FOR WINTER HOME

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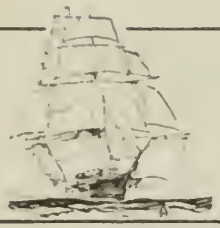

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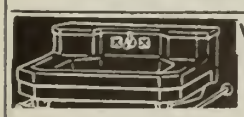

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Readers of Presto will recall that sometime ago, the poet of Mattapoisett, Mr. Murray D. Tuttle, extolled in commendable verse the outstanding advantages to be found in his town. A poetess from Marion replied the next week, claiming certain superior attributes for her town. Her nom de plume was Ande L. Nedrob, and she thought that Mr. Tuttle would immediately see that this is Edna L. Borden, spelt backwards. However, she recently learned from his daughter, Mrs. Lee Root, that all of his efforts at solving the mystery had met with failure.

In regard to poets, Mrs. Borden says the only Latin she knows is poeta nascitur, non fit,-the poet is born, not made.

We have been fortunate in having been able to present to you many interesting stories of the sea through the courtesy of Mr. William H. Tripp, curator of the Old Dartmouth Historical Society. Here is a story that actually happened to one of our Mattapoisett residents, Mr. Charles H. Purrington. This story, an adventure story of terrific scope, is told very simply to us as part of the everyday life of the men who followed whaling.

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by CHARLES H. PURRINGTON

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THANKSGIVING DINNER GUESTS

Mr. and Mrs. Frank W. Taves of New Bedford and Chester A. Doty of Middleboro were Thanksgiving dinner guests of Mrs. Edna L. Borden of Marion.

Old-timers of Mattapoisett will recall Mr. Doty, whose boyhood was spent in the Tinkhamtown section. His father was Perez Doty, who at one time taught school at the Perry Hill school, Acushnet, and later had a sawmill in Tinkhamtown. The family later moved to Middleboro where Mrs. Doty had been a teacher.

The late Harry Doty, brother of Chester, did a great deal of carpentry at the Water Street residence of Mr. and Mrs. Hinsdale. An older sister, Mrs. Clara Kelley, died recently at the Cape, where she lived with her sister, Mrs. Ida Bee.

CHRISTMAS SALE AT ROCHESTER TOWN HALL

The date of the Christmas sale to be held in the Rochester Town Hall by the Women's guild of the First Congregational Church, Rochester is Friday, December 3rd.

EXPRESSES THANKS

Mrs. Earle Underwood of Pine Island Road, Mattapoisett wishes to thank all the first grade mothers who helped her with the refreshments at the recent P. T. C. meeting. Mrs. Underwood has two plates at her home that were left following the meeting at the school. If the owners would please contact Mrs. Underwood, she will see that they are returned to you.

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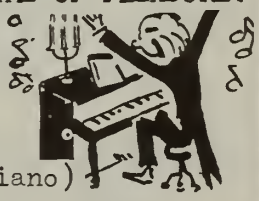

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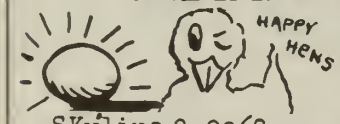

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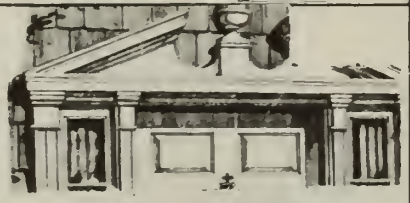

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The middle of June we saw whales for the first time, and lowered the boats but met with no success, and a flag was ordered to the mast-head, a signal for the boats to return.

July 6th, we came to the Davis' Straits pack of Ice and the 7th made Resolution Island. After that we met with no ice until we got to North Bluff. The pack is composed of broken ice, and is pressed so tightly together that it is impossible for any vessel to make a passage through it. The ice was carried by us very swiftly, often going at the rate of four or five knots an hour. A seaman was constantly at the mast head looking for a place to drop our anchor.

On the 17th, the disaster came. We were struck by an ice float, lifting the vessel's stern high out of the water. We were at the pumps three hours before they sucked water. On the 19th, the pack loosened around the vessel, and Sunday, the 20th, she was again stove. The water came pouring into her side in streams. From the forecastle we could hear the water running into the cabin every moment, and it was soon announced that Captain Blossom intended to abandon the vessel. We loaded our boat with hardbread, the pork which was left in the harness keg, and a few articles of trade, such as guns, ammunition and clothing, launched them on the ice, and with one farewell look at the old vessel started on our perilous journey. The vessel remained upright until the morning of the 21st, when she fell over on her

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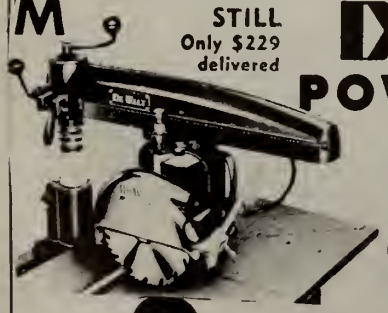
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side, her yards resting on the ice.

Land was several miles away, and the only way for us to reach solid ice was by jumping from one cake to another--it was jump or perish. Our boats were stove one by one and all efforts to mend them were of no avail. It was just as well, as they would have proved to be a burden to us, the weather being so cold. As soon as we reached solid ice we ran up a flag which brought some natives from the shore to our assistance. We were all very nearly exhausted, and some went to sleep under a tent made from the top-gallant sail.

On the morning of the 24th, the Captain told us that we had better start for shore without further delay. We surely would have starved had we remained on the ice much longer. We loaded ourselves and natives with what we could carry on our backs, leaving a number of articles on the ice that it was impossible to carry with us. One native woman, not over five feet high, carried with her a load equal to that of the strongest man. Nearly all of us had a good cold bath from falling between the floating cakes of ice.

When we reached shore, we fell in with the Roswell King, a vessel stored with provisions to supply the whale-ships, and our captain and mate went on board, while the rest of us went to live with the natives in their sealskin tents, a few men living in a canvas tent. Now that we were safely on land the main trouble was to get enough to eat.

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Mrs. Clifton Chase, leader,and Mrs. Ralph Gifford, assistant, led the candle and flag ceremony.

Mrs. Arthur Tiffany, president of the New Bedford council, and Mrs. Margaret Hooker, field director, were guest speakers.

Hostesses, Mrs. Thomas Oldfield, Mrs. Henry Smith and Mrs. Henry Olansen, served refreshments. The next meeting will be held on Wednesday, December 1st at the Consolidated School.

VISITED MATTAPOISETT FOR THANKSGIVING

Carl Cathcart, a resident at the dormitory at the Bristol Agricultural School in Segregansett, Mass., spent the Thanksgiving holidays with Mr. and Mrs. Ray Bradley of Cathaway Lane, Mattapoisett.

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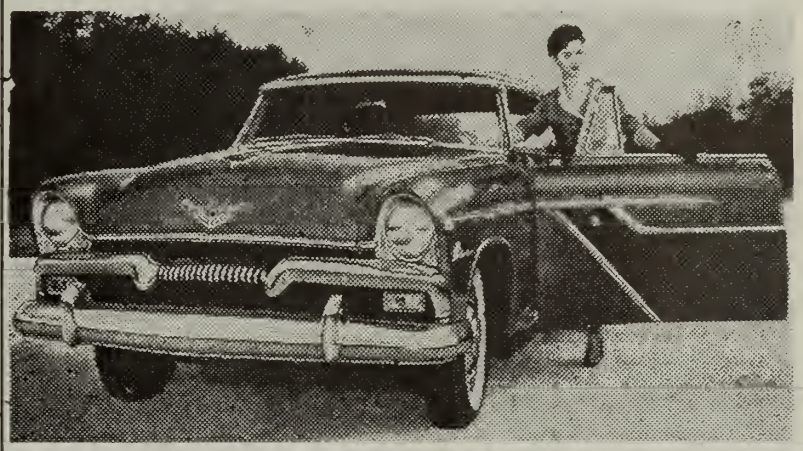

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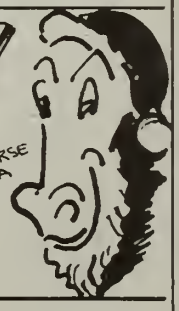

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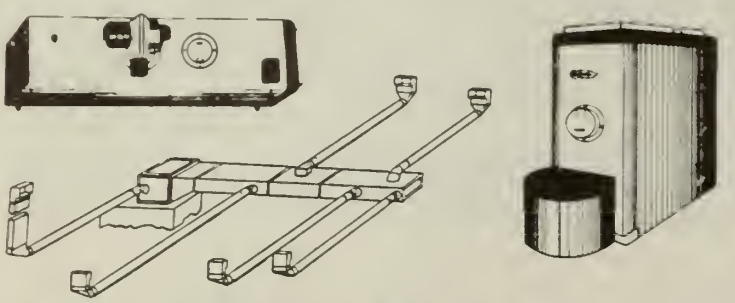

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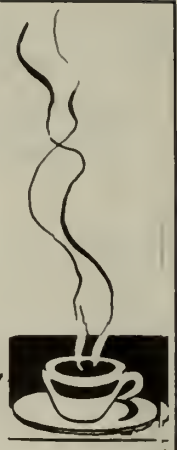

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